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## Amendments to the Claims

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## Listing of Claims:

- 1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A blade for a bladed rotor, the blade having an attachment receivable in a slot of a rotor hub, the hub having a rotational axis and a series of slots defining a slotwise direction, the attachment having proximal and distal ends, the proximal end being an end intended to be proximate a load transfer element when the blade is received in the slot, the proximal end also being rounded as viewed by an observer looking radially toward the rotational axis rounded.
- 2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A bladed rotor, comprising:
- a hub having a main body with peripheral slots <u>defining</u> a slotwise <u>direction</u>; and
- a plurality of blades each having an attachment occupying one of the slots, each attachment extending in the slotwise direction from a proximal end to a distal end, the proximal end being an end proximate a load transfer element having proximal and distal ends, the proximal end of each blade attachment being rounded as viewed by an observer looking radially toward a rotational axis of the hub.